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Group Art Unit: 1795 Application No.: 10/576,120

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## AMENDMENT

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Sir

In response to the Office Action dated January 21, 2010, wherein a three-month shortened statutory period for response is set to expire on April 21, 2010, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.